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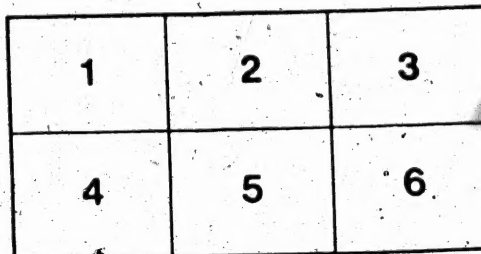
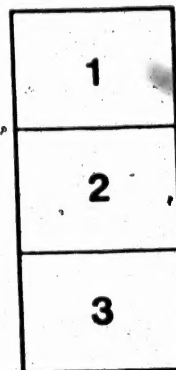
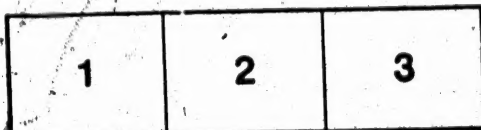
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ONTARIO ELECTIONS, 1894.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR AGENTS
OF
LIBERAL CANDIDATES
AT THE POLLS.

The Voters' List under the Franchise Act, must give the name of every Voter. No person can vote more than once, and only then in the subdivision of the electoral district in which he resides. "ONE-MAN, ONE VOTE."

Opening of Poll.

1. The poll opens at 9 a.m. and closes at 5 p.m.

Oath of Secrecy.

2. Take the oath of secrecy before a Magistrate, if possible, previous to polling day, and hand it and your appointment as Agent, to the Deputy Returning Officer before the poll opens. The Deputy Returning Officer will, if required, put the oath of secrecy to any Agent. If he has no single form he can read it from the Election Act, form No. 27.

Prepare Voters' List.

3. Have a Voters' List prepared, with notes for your guidance. Each name should be marked, "Liberal," "Conservative," "Patron," or "Doubtful," or to be objected to, or to be sworn. Be prepared to sustain the cause of any of your own voters who may be objected to by the opposing Agent.

Check off Voters.

4. Check off your list each voter as he votes, and specially note those sworn.

Causes of Objection.

5. Objection must be taken against an elector voting. (1) If he is not twenty-one years of age. (2) Is not a subject of Her Majesty. (3) If you believe he has been offered any inducement to vote, directly or indirectly, or for loss of time, travelling expenses, or hire of team. (4) If he has not been continuously for the six months immediately preceding the date of election, a resident of the electoral district (except Manhood Suffrage Electors). (5) If you believe he has voted elsewhere. (6) If he is not now a resident of that electoral district.

When an opposing Scrutineer asks to have a voter sworn, be sure to see that the voter knows which side has objected to his vote.

Disqualified from Voting.

6. The following are disqualified from voting: Judges, Customs Officers, Clerks of the Peace, County Attorneys, Registrars, Sheriffs, Deputy Sheriffs, Deputy Clerks of the Crown, Crown Land Agents, Postmasters in cities or towns, Stipendiary Magistrates, Police Magistrates in cities having a population of 30,000 and over, and Excise Officers.

7. No Returning Officer, Election Clerk, or person employed for any remuneration whatever, in assisting a Candidate is entitled to vote. This does not apply to Deputy Returning Officers and Poll Clerks. A person temporarily absent in the prosecution of his occupation, as Lumberman, Mariner, Fisherman or a student in Canada shall not be disqualified.

Requisites by D. R. O. or Agents.

8. Each voter, if required by the Deputy Returning Officer, must state his name and surname, and calling. (1) The Deputy Returning Officer, Poll Clerk, or Agents have no authority to question a voter's qualifications. (2) It is your duty as Agent to protect a friendly voter from intimidation.

Examining Ballots.

9. Watch every ballot before being handed to voter to see that it is clean and that the Deputy Returning Officer places his initials on back of ballot before handing to voter. On the voter returning it see that the Deputy Returning Officer places it in the box without marking it in any way.

About Voting.

10. Do not on any pretext whatever allow friendly voters to leave the table without voting. No voter having refused the oath can subsequently be admitted to vote. If a voter after the oath is administered to him by the Deputy Returning Officer, intimates his refusal to take the oath by placing the Bible on the table, he cannot take it up again for the purpose of taking the oath and voting.

11. Do not allow Tory Scrutineers to question or threaten voters. All that can be required of the voter is that he shall take the oath provided by law. Instruct voters not to answer any questions asked by opposition Scrutineers.

A tendered ballot may be used if a person's name has been omitted from the Deputy Returning Officers list in the poll-book, it having appeared in the original list certified by the County Judge. (Election Act, clause 103, page 46.)

Every Scrutineer should understand thoroughly the "Manhood Franchise" qualifications and the oaths connected with the same, so that no legal chance to object to an unfriendly voter may be missed.

12. Carry out the instructions received by you from the committee to the letter, and have every voter sworn whom you find on your book marked to be sworn.

Oath of Qualification.

13. Any elector, if required by the Deputy Returning Officer, Poll Clerk, or any Agent present, shall take the oath of qualification before voting.

Persecution.

14. A voter who has been persecuted can vote on taking the oath to establish his identity.

Spoiled Ballots.

15. A voter who has spoiled his ballot paper is entitled to another on returning the spoiled paper to the Deputy Returning Officer.

16. Do not name or write the Voters' List.

17. Before polling booth.

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Mis-spelling of Voter's Name.

16. Do not let a friendly vote be lost on account of the mis-spelling of the voter's name or a wrong christian name. If the voter is the person purporting to be named in the Voters' List he can vote.

17. Before the poll closes, see that two Scrutineers for your Candidate are in the polling booth.

Counting the Ballots.

18. At the close of the poll one Scrutineer should see the ballots as the Deputy Returning Officer calls the names, the other keeping tally. (1) See that statement of votes cast for each Candidate is made out by Deputy Returning Officer and Agents, and given to you. (2) And that all other papers used at the election are deposited in the ballot box, sealed by you, and stamped with a seal before leaving the room.

Fac-similes of Ballots.

19. Keep a memoranda of fac-similes of the marks on each ballot rejected or objected to.

Certificates of vote polled.

20. Require the Deputy Returning Officer to give you a certificate of (1) the number of ballots for each Candidate, (2) the number of rejected ballot papers, and on no account leave the polling booth for an instant until you receive it.

Special Caution.

21. Do not enter into any arrangement with opposing Scrutineers waiving your privilege to have voters sworn.

Effect of good Scrutineering.

22. A well informed and properly qualified Scrutineer may have opportunities of making or saving at least four votes in his subdivision, and this may win the Election.

23. BALLOTS MARKED AS FOLLOWS ARE GOOD:—

1. With an illformed cross, or with small lines at the end of cross, or with a line across the centre or one of the lines of the cross, or with a curved line like the blades of an anchor. (North Victoria Case, Hodgins, p. 671.)

2. An irregular mark in the figure of a cross, so long as it does not lose the form of a cross. (Monck Case, Hodgins, p. 725.)

3. A cross with a line before it. (Monck Case.)

4. A cross rightly placed with two additional crosses, one across the other candidate's name, and the other to the left. (Monck Case.)

5. A double cross or two crosses. (Monck Case.)

6. Ballot paper inadvertently torn. (Monck Case.)

7. Inadvertent marks in addition to the cross. (Monck Case.)

8. Cross made with pen and ink instead of pencil. (Monck Case.)

BALLOTS MARKED AS FOLLOWS ARE BAD:—

1. A single stroke instead of a cross. (Monck Case; North Victoria Case.)

2. Two single strokes not crossing. (Monck Case.)

3. Ballots with the candidate's name written thereon in addition to the cross. (North Victoria Case.)

4. Ballots marked with a number of lines. (North Victoria Case.)

5. Ballots with a cross for each candidate. (North Victoria Case.)

6. All those upon which there is any writing or mark by which the voter can be identified.

Oaths having reference to the following subjects will be found in the Election Act.

Secrecy of voting, for agents	Form 15.
Manhood Suffrage, ordinary cases	" 16.
Manhood Suffrage, elections in cities	" 16A.
Where no Assessment Roll, Algoma, etc.	" 20.
Resident/Householder's oath	" 21.
Inability to read	" 22.
Name not on Voters' List re Tendered Ballot.	" 24.

FAC-SIMILE OF REJECTED BALLOTS.

